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Principal Notes-10/6/09

Below are some of the concerns other principals have asked me about. We can use this as a guide for our discussion, but I hope all of you are coming with other items to talk about

What are the issues we are dealing with in regards to:

- **Policies/consequences for misuse**
 - What about road games? Do kids take them with them?- Most/All schools have students take them with them.
 - Fees? VM \$35 with tiered consequences \$100, \$200, up to full cost, BCLUW- \$50 voluntary payment, up to \$100 deductible to parents. Sidney- \$25 rental fee, School covers rest of deductible. Central City-\$45 fee, up to \$100 school has other insurance to cover deductible costs, South Hamilton- \$25- up to \$500, CAM- \$35-\$100, Bedford- \$35-\$100 up to full cost if multiple, AHST -\$35 did do F/R on fee, \$150 deductible per event, Newell Fonda-\$35, \$250 deductible
 - Payment plans- Scholarship, payments, only a handful didn't pay, Local Bank donated
 - If computer is turned in good shape-give money back or reduced cost for the next year.
 - iChat, games- VM tiered policy for individual students, Sidney- Axed it, Bedford-Individual students held accountable
 - Consequences- shut off applications, etc. take machines away
- **google and goggle** is used at some of the schools for student issued email.
- **What about social media?**
 - Ning is a teacher directed, educational focus website.
 - Moodle is a free blackboard website.-Somewhat user friendly depends on the user-can set up a test that will check it for you.
 - CAM has blocked iTunes for students that are on fail list
 - Sigourney lets them do it ALL. Have teachers using facebook doing assignments, etc. It is all or nothing.
- **Sharing Files**-using iChat at BCLUW,Google, Moodle
- **Empowering students** to make good decisions and truly own their individual learning-
 - Have a class at Sigourney to teach students. Van Meter uses Advisory partnering with ECI <http://www.dmac.edu/eci/welcome.asp> GREAT RESOURCE
- **Teaching and Learning and PD for Teachers**
 - Have a few that are not using it.
 - SH-Tech person goes to meet with individual teachers, try to "one up"
 - CAM-Support, but most is taking the first step
 - Techy Tuesday at Bedford, visited other schools and have other teachers training other teachers
 - Use Evaluations and try to cheerlead
 - Sigourney- three phases,
 - 1- exploration
 - 2- implementation at a low level
 - 3-Integration

- Faculty meetings are used as PD vs. announcements
- **How to measure "success" of the program?**
 - Instructional Practices Inventory-Student Engagement- pair with a good walkthrough
 - VM- partnered with John Nash from ISU
 - office referrals
 - Surveys for graduates
 - Performance based product presentation of portfolios
 - Share at Board Meetings-students and teachers
 - NOT ITEDS/ITBS or MAP
- **Connecting/Networking** our schools-Admin to Admin, Teachers to Teachers, Students to Students, and Students to teachers in other districts. We need to be innovative and creative to stay ahead of the curve
 - Create Wiki to with documents of each respective school
 - Dialogue location- maybe Ning- or some other social network or a Moodle class
 - Page instead of twitter
 - **dgiegerich@anita.k12.ia.us, email Dominic your information please. Thanks.**
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- What about a conference for teachers?-Supt. taking care of that
- **Go-Round**
- <http://sai121.wikispaces.com/>
- <https://vmbulldogs.wikispaces.com/>
- <https://twitter.com/derondurflinger>
- <http://derondurflinger.blogspot.com/>
- Etherpad- BCLUW
- Skype at N-F
- Moodle- Bedford
- Google Earth- South Hamilton- battle scenes in History class
- Podcasts for fluency testing- Central City
- Moodle-Sidney all teachers have at least one class on it, Acellus- individual math lessons
- What to learn? website MS teachers use , Apex Learning, and Gaggles-Cardinal
- Google docs-Sigourney and others <http://www.stumbleupon.com/>
- <http://www.twine.com/>
- I would also like to talk about with Schools about Virtual Reality
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- Rex Kozak from East Marshall- discussing the VR piece with us. Great stuff. This is the future of not only the business world, but also education.

A few of the things I'm interested in talking about -

*Is there a formal way your school will measure "success" of the initiative? We're using the Instructional Practices Inventory to measure Teacher / Student engagement levels before and after one year of 1:1, but that's just one measure, and I'm curious to see what else you might be looking at in your district.

-I am also very curious to know what schools are doing for assessment. The IPI walk-throughs might be a great way to see the impact 1:1 has had on student engagement. Nick Sauers-CASTLE/ISU

* Policies with regards to taking computers on buses / vans for athletics / activities

* Similar to Deron's - looking for P.D. ideas, and for ways to connect our teachers and their discoveries, ideas, etc. with 1:1, knowing that getting them together on-site would be a challenge. We could use SKYPE or iChat, twitter, etc.

My thoughts-

- Teacher PD.

- Incorporating the community in technological advancement. ie. paperless, JMC grading, "the mindset that the old way is still the good way."

Buses/Events -- most schools allow kids to take laptops to events and on school transportation
Mobile carts revamped and in locker rooms -- kids can put them in there for recharging and lock up.
No one has had one taken. However, laptops do get left behind.

Charges -- \$35 fee; \$100, tiered

Home insurance would NOT cover, so parent is covering -- \$700 for a screen!!!

85% paid that first week -- payments and agreed to damage portion (\$50 fee) up to \$100 deductible

CAM High School Moodle Site: <http://jmc.anita.k12.ia.us:8888/moodle18/>

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